NOTICE OF PARENTING CLASSES Gila County Superior Court

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY UPON RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE PLEASE CONTACT GILA COUNTY MEDIATION OFFICE TO REGISTER AT 928-793-4391

TO ALL PARTIES:

In **divorce**, **legal separation**, **annulment** or **paternity** cases involving natural or adopted minor child(ren) (under 18), who are common to the parties, in which the Court is requested to determine custody, parenting time or child support:

ATTENDANCE IS REQUIRED:

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 25-351, *et seq.*, unless excused by the Court, both Petitioner AND Respondent must complete a Parent Education Class (each parent to attend separate class) **BEFORE** a divorce, annulment, custody/parenting plan or paternity Order will be entered. The Class which you attend must be approved by the Arizona Supreme Court.

COMPLETION OF CLASS / NOTIFICATION TO RESPONDENT:

The Petitioner shall:

- (a) Serve a copy of this Notice on Respondent; and
- (b) Attempt to complete the Parenting Class prior to parenting plan mediation. Respondent also attempt to complete the Parenting Class prior to parenting plan mediation.

Both parties shall complete prior to conclusion of divorce or legal proceedings.

PAYMENT REQUIRED AT COURT BEFORE CLASS:

The Class Fee is \$50.00. You may be eligible for a waiver or deferral. Please pay at the Clerk of the Court in Globe or Payson. **You must bring Receipt, Waiver or Deferral to the Class** in order to attend.

CLASSES IN PAYSON AND IN GLOBE:

Four (4) parenting classes are offered each month in Gila County, two in Payson and two in Globe. **You must register before the Class in order to attend.** Classes are subject to cancellation depending on registration. You can attend "any" class regardless of your residence in Payson or Globe.

GLOBE LOCATION: Law Library, 1st Floor, Gila County Courthouse, 1400 E. Ash St., Globe

PAYSON LOCATION: Gila County Courthouse, 714 S. Beeline Highway, Suite 104, Payson

NOTICE: Wait in the reception area at Probation – you do not need to check in. The Mediator will come get you at your scheduled time. If you are late, YOU CANNOT BE ADMITTED and will have to reschedule so <u>please be at least five minutes early</u>. No purses, bags or briefcases are allowed in Probation. No pocket knives or other weapons are permitted. Please do not bring them with you.

DO NOT BRING CHILDREN; ARRIVE 5 MINUTES EARLY:

Do NOT bring children with you. Please arrive 5 minutes early. Bring a pen, writing tablet, and water if you wish. Once class begins, late arrivals will not be allowed to enter. Be sure to BRING your receipt, Waiver or Deferral to Class.

REQUIRED CLASS CERTIFICATE:

At the end of class, you will be given a copy of a Certificate (original will be filed in Court by Mediator) as proof of completion. The Court reserves the right to require a parenting class in the future if it deems it to be in the best interests of, or beneficial to, the minor child(ren).

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